

# On Everyone Smiles in the Same Language <sup>1</sup>

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Dear David,

I am very happy and excited to share the inspiration and some stories of the positive impact created by my article “Everyone smiles in the same language”, published in Project Management World Journal’s May 2022 edition as a response to your call to action against war.

I’ve thought you would be happy to know them and who knows whether the article and the stories can keep inspiring other people to smile and promote peace, joy, and common understanding around the world.

One of the great stories came from a school; it’s a diverse community of nationalities and the article inspired them to produce a video that they share with their parent community. The video is beautiful, with young students and school staff saying “Everyone smiles in the same language” in different languages and with a smile on their faces.

Here is the link in case it can also inspire your readers:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=idgFmSVTUVI>

*“Smiling is a universal language, which creates goodness and beauty around us, while at the same time it does not make a difference among countries, cultures or languages. A smile has the power of a common language for people around the world, bringing peace and understanding, no matter where we are from.”*

Another wonderful story comes from a mother and her third-grade daughter; the mother read the article and shared it with her daughter, who loved it and picked up this topic for her eloquence competition. The girl felt very connected with the article because she had to stay away from her home country for more than two years during pandemic and had to study another language from scratch, which was quite frustrating to her at times as she was not able to fully communicate with others; inspired by the article, she wrote “you don’t have to learn another language to smile and you can still be able to communicate the joy, love and confidence”.

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*We can speak different languages and have different traditions, but a candid smile is that universal language that brings us together, that makes us feel welcome. Let the smile be that common language that brings people, countries and their projects together towards a better future.*

I am very happy that the article is of service for so many people, grateful to those who has taken the time to send me beautiful feedbacks and certainly, very grateful to you David and Project Management World Journal for being an instrument of peace for a better world.

Thanks a lot David! It's the power of a smile to connect and bring all of us together; as said, "everyone smiles in the same language".

Best regards,

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